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GREAT CLOUDBURST ON ELK

MAN AND HORSES DROWNED AT CAMP 11

On the night of September 14, there was a great rain in this county. At Marlinton 2.22 inches of rain fell that night but the ground was so dry from a three weeks' drought that the waters were hardly muddied.

In the Elk Valley, however, there was a cloudburst centering around the heads of three small runs that come in from the Gauley side of Elk near the Pocahontas Webster line. On one of these runs was located a woods camp of the West Virginia Pulp & Paper Company, and at the camp was a large stable for teams. The camp was manned by a number of Austrians who came from the mountains of Europe and who are good woodsmen. The camp was in charge of a splendid Austrian who was known as Frank.

The clouds let down water in a terrible down pour. The men were aroused and saw that the stable was in danger of being washed away. There were ten horses in the building and Frank went to work to get them out. He succeeded in freeing six of the horses but the water rose so fast that the building was swept away with the man and four horses in it. Two of these horses succeeded in reaching the land but the foreman and two of the horses were drowned.

The stream raised about fifteen feet in a few minutes. Great hemlock trees were carried down the little stream and when the run reached the river large trees were carried up stream as far as 150 feet and left stranded. The three runs combined made a big flood in Elk river and a large camp on the main river was considerably damaged and would have been washed away but for the fact that it was partially protected by two large loaded railroad cars. Much damage was done to the railroad.

This cloudburst was a great deal like the recent catastrophe in Cabin creek Valley. There is no settlements in the part of the county affected and this accounts for the small loss of life.

CLEVER STORY MADE A FILM

Both Tarkington's clever serial story, "The Flirt," which ran with such popularity for several issues in the Saturday Evening Post, has been made into Bluebird Photoplays and will be the attraction at the Cass Theatre on September 28, with Marie Walcamp playing the title role. Her leading man will be Juan de la Cruz. Both these clever artists will be well remembered for their recent fine work as members of the company presenting the Bluebird opium play, "Hop, the Devil's Brew." The Smalleys who produced "Hop," also produced "The Flirt." Lois Weber (Mrs. Smalley) having converted the Tarkington story into screen uses and Phillips Smalley directed the cast in creating the latest Bluebird.—Adv.

GREENBRIER PRESBYTERY

Greenbrier Presbytery met in Hillsdale church in Monroe county, September 5th, for its fall meeting. The meeting was opened with a sermon by Rev. T. W. Clapp, retiring moderator. Rev. J. W. Holt, who for a number of years was the pastor of this church, was elected moderator. The attendance on the part of the ministers of Presbytery was unusually large—only two active ministers being absent. Not only was the attendance large on the part of the ministers but the people in the surrounding country for miles came and took a lively interest in all the work of Presbytery. Dinner each day was served on the grounds, and was made the occasion of genuine christian fellowship.

Rev. C. L. Crane from our African Mission was present, and made an inspiring address upon Africa's call to America. Home missions also came in for their share of thought and consideration, all the addresses being of a high order.

One thing was very noticeable throughout the sessions of Presbytery, and that was the fine spiritual atmosphere which prevailed the body. The meeting as a whole was pronounced by all from the youngest member to the oldest the best meeting of Presbytery in its history.

Rev. R. B. Hudson is the pastor of Hillsdale church, and his people have the excellent habit of going to church. The church is situated in a densely populated section of Monroe county where the blue grass and blooded cattle grow to perfection. The women of this section are known far and wide for their cooking ability, and the members of Presbytery will not soon forget the unmistakable evidences of this on every hand. Presbytery adjourned Thursday night to meet in the spring at the White Sulphur church. White Sulphur Springs, April 10th.

A Presbyter.

REUNION CONFEDERATE VETERANS

General Order No. 3. In pursuance of general order from headquarters, the Commander of the First Brigade West Virginia Division United Confederate Veterans, hereby notifies all of the U. C. V. Veteran camps belonging to this brigade, that the annual state Reunion will be held in the city of Huntington, W. Va. on the 4th and 5th of October, 1916. It is the wish of the Commander that each camp will send its full quota of delegates as a full delegation is earnestly desired. The citizens of Huntington extend a hearty invitation to all Confederate Veterans to attend, and the good people of Huntington, will see that the old veteran has a joyful time. The few days you will be away from home will be an oasis in your life to be remembered during your remaining days with joy.

By order of A. C. L. Gatewood, General, Commanding, 1st Brigade, West Va., U. C. V. J. W. Mathews, Adj. Genl. and Chief of Staff

EDRAY DIST. HIGH SCHOOL

The Edray District High School opened on Monday with the following enrollment.

Boys—Marlinton; Joseph Burns, Cecil East, Fred Hobert, Kent Keene, William Keene, Clarence Smith, Amos Staton, Sterl Woodell, and Hull Yeager.

Edray: Allen Sharp. Minnehaha: Julian Lockridge. Cass: George Lewis. Cloverlick: Littleberry, N. Coyner and Pinkney Doyle. Total 14.

Girls—Pearl Carter, Zoe Crummett, Gladys Donnelly, Mary Escribido, Anna Harris, Dorothy Irvine, Dora Maupin, Bessie McGraw, Pleas Richardson, Anna Marie Smith, Genevieve Yeager Marjory Warwick, and Mrs. Shoemaker (special). Cloverlick: Lois Coyner, Mabel Dilley, and Bessie Shinnaberry. August: Hazel Shout. Deer Creek: Evelyn Stitzinger. Edray: Gayre Mann.

Huntersville: Lola Herald, Reta Herald, and Genevieve Moore. Total 22.

The following courses are being taught this semester—composition and rhetoric, American and English literature; Latin I and Cicero; Commercial Arithmetic, Algebra, and Geometry; German I and II; Cooking and sewing; United States and Ancient History; Biology, physical Geography, and Agriculture; Manual Training; Music and Drawing.

All parents are urged to have their children attend school regularly. To aid in raising the standard of attendance the regulation has been passed that all students, who do not miss more than five days or make more than five tardy marks, will be exempt from the mid-year examination.

These names have been added to those already on the daily register:

Girls—Cloverlick, Alleen Briscoe; Dummore, Helen Moore and Grace Curry; Marlinton, Agnes Price (special). Total 28.

Boys—Cass, Clare Haupt. Total 15. Grand total 41.

The first chapel of the school year was conducted on Wednesday, the 13th, by Rev. Keene and Rev. Walker. The words of welcome addressed by these gentlemen to the E. D. H. S. pupils were encouraging and inspiring.

On Friday two literary societies were organized. These officers were chosen by the vote members: president Pearl Carter; vice president, Amos Staton; secretary, Mary Eskridge. The even members elected: president William Keene; vice-president, Rita Herold; secretary, Hull Yeager.

On Monday of this week, Calvin W. Price, editor Pocahontas Times, lead chapel.

MRS. HANSON COVER, DEAD

Mrs. Hanson Cover died very suddenly at her home near the Tannery, Thursday evening September 14, 1916, of heart failure. Mrs. Cover had been in usual health that day, and had been down town but a short time before her death. She was about the premises with her daughter-in-law, and seemed to fall in a faint. Her husband and others reached her before she died. Funeral services were conducted on Sunday afternoon by Rev. W. D. Keene from the Methodist church, of which she was a member. Burial was in the Mt. View Cemetery.

Mrs. Cover was in her 66th year. She came here from Virginia ten or twelve years ago. She was a good, useful woman. Surviving her, is her husband and their five sons, Terry, of Durbin; John, of Marlinton; Jett, Samuel and Charles, of Richwood. In the past ten years Mrs. Cover had lost three daughters by death—Mrs. Jacob Medsker, Mrs. Thomas Phelps and Mrs. L. S. Shoemaker.

BENNETT - SIMMONS

Married at the Presbyterian Masse, Monday night September 18, 1916, Forrest Bruce Bennett and Miss Mazie Pearl Simmons, Rev. J. M. Walker, officiating. The bride is the accomplished daughter of Lewis Simmons, and a sister of L. O. Simmons of The Times Office. Mr. Bennett is from Caldwell, and is a track foreman on the C. & O. railroad. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett will make their future home at Caldwell. Their many friends wish them a long, happy and prosperous life.

The Young People's Branch of the W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Miss Marjorie Warwick on Tuesday evening, September 26 at eight o'clock.

MRS. MARGARET BELL McNEEL

Mrs. Margaret Bell McNeel was born in Augusta county, Va., September 5, 1849. She was the only daughter of Ebenezer and Margaret Bell Christian. Her mother died during the infancy of Mrs. McNeel and her bringing up devolved upon an aunt whose kindness and training she never forgot. In 1870 she came to Pocahontas county and taught in the family of Capt. Wm. L. McNeel. On September 14, 1871, she was united in marriage to Mathew John McNeel at the Brick House in Renick's Valley, Greenbrier county. They settled in the ancestral home of the McNeels where she spent the rest of her earthly life in the faithful services of a devoted wife. On June 15, 1875, during the pastorate of Rev. D. S. Sydenstricker she was received into the membership of Oak Grove church on profession of faith. Having come from Scotch-Irish ancestry and having been trained in the faith of her fathers she held with unwavering loyalty to the church of her ancestry.

When the present pastor came into this charge she opened to him her heart, and her home and never has had a truer friend or a more sincere well wisher. Denied as she was by a sore affliction from participating in the privileges and pleasures of many parts of the public worship she still felt it was her duty to encourage her pastor and uphold his hands by attendance on the preached word. For many years she never heard a sermon, yet this handicap did not interfere with her being in her pew whenever health permitted. She felt and often said that the influence of example was one testimony she could render and wished to render the worth of religion to her. The more noble does this testimony appear to those who know her best and who understood how she personally shrank from mingling in public because of her affliction. And just here let me say that not many of her neighbors appreciated the soreness of her affliction because not many of them knew how well fitted she was to naturally enjoy the pleasures of society. She loved the society of her friends and was capable of entering into all the pleasures of social life that it must have cost her far more than any of us will ever know when she found that she was shut out from those pleasures to a great extent.

Mrs. McNeel felt a deep interest in the work of the church of which she was a member and would have been even a greater help than she has been for many years past but for the fact that she could not enter into the discussions of questions that came up for action. For these reasons the church was denied the advantage of her guidance and activity in an official capacity in the work of the Ladies' Societies.

Her pastor wishes to express his own appreciation of her friendship and sympathy in his work in a word of personal testimony. Upon one occasion when he had under consideration the question of going to another field, she took occasion while he was calling one day to give her reasons for thinking he ought not to go. With tears in her eyes she told him what his pastorate had meant to her and begged him not to think of giving up the work. It was a revelation to him to know that one who apparently had drawn so little from a pastor's resources should yet feel so deeply about his going. From that time he never doubted that in Mrs. McNeel he had a friend who could be. It is a source of deep regret that I could not know that the end was so near and make her feel what there was in my heart of christian love and friendship yet unexpressed. The end came as I believe she would have wished it to have come—painlessly and peacefully. She had been suffering for some weeks with asthma to which she had been subject the greater part of her life. Her strength had become depleted—

more so than was realized. She passed from what seemed to be a quiet, peaceful sleep into the sleep that knows no waking until the resurrection. But while her body sleeps her soul has burst its limitations and at the feet of her Savior she can hear, as she often longed to hear and was denied. Her gentle form and faithful figure will be missed from her pew and the home which it was such a pleasure to visit, will no longer radiate the joy of her welcome. God has taken her to be in the home that Jesus has prepared, and left us the task of patiently waiting for the meeting about his throne. The deepest sympathies of hosts of friends are extended to the grief-stricken husband and sorrowing relatives. J. C. J.

Rev. W. I. Hanna, who has been supplying L Evelton Circuit since the last Annual Conference, has resigned, and Rev. J. W. McNeil, one of our superannuate preachers, who has been living at West Augusta, Va., for several years, has been employed by the presiding elder to serve the work until the next meeting of the Annual Conference. The people of Evelton Circuit are to be congratulated upon so quickly finding a preacher to fill the vacancy and upon finding one so well equipped. This is a new work, made by dividing the former Evelton Circuit into Hillsboro Station and the present Evelton Circuit. The circuit is situated in a rich section of Pocahontas county W. Va., and its membership comprises some of the most substantial people within the bounds of the Baltimore Conference.—Baltimore Southern Methodist.

A young Arbogast, son of the Arbogast who was so seriously burned in the Sinks last winter, and who was in both hospitals here for treatment, was fatally injured by the log train at Horton last Thursday. Dr. Sager left Whitmer with him and his father but the young man died at Hendricks. They were bringing him here for treatment. Both legs were severed.—Elkins Inter-Mountain.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Marlinton, Sept. 21.—Miss Sylvia Slayton 3, E. W. Runner, Mrs. Laura M. Ross, Miss Billie Sharp, Miss Alice Banks, E. J. Hamrick, I. F. Iager.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation for the many kindnesses extended to us since the death of our wife and mother.

HANSON COVER & FAMILY.

Administratrix Sale
The undersigned administratrix of Henry L. Taylor, deceased, will, on the 30th day of September, 1916, commencing at 9 o'clock in the morning, at the late residence of Henry L. Taylor, on Galford's Creek, in Greenbank District of Pocahontas County, West Virginia, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the following personal property, to-wit:

2 horses, 4 cows, 12 ewes and lambs, 1 wagon, 1 set of double harness, 1 plow, one harrow, 1 mowing machine, 1 buggy, 1 lot of lumber (house blow), 4 stacks of hay.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums under \$5 cash, for all sums over \$5, a credit of four months will be given, the purchaser executing his negotiable note with approved personal security, with interest from date of sale.

EARLY V. TAYLOR, Admrx. Swecker, Auctioneer.

Notice

Any one having accounts against the estate of the late Clarissa Taylor will present the same properly proven to the undersigned executors on or before January 1, 1917, for payment. Any one owing the said estate will please settle at once.

Dan R. Taylor, J. Ed. Taylor, Executors.

Administratrix's Notice
Notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of the late Dr. E. B. Hill to present the same properly proven to the undersigned administratrix for settlement. All persons indebted to said estate will please prepare to settle.

This 30th day of August, 1916. CLARA R. HILL, Admrx. Dr. E. B. Hill, dec'd.

WHY PAY RENT ?
I have to offer three nice town residences, two good store properties, a few farms and other real estate. List your property with me for quick sale. If you want to sell or buy farms or other land values first see what I have.

L. S. SHOEMAKER, Real Estate & Stocks, Marlinton, W. Va.

Teams Wanted.
By J. E. Moore Lumber Co., of Mtn. Grove, Va., six heavy teams with drivers to work in the woods. If you want a steady job, bring your team over and let us see it. No work for poor teams—good wages for good teams. J. E. Moore Lumber Co.

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Marlinton, W. Va.

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Practice limited to Surgery, Diseases of Women and X Ray Treatments.

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Special attention to Treatment of Rheumatism and all Chronic Diseases.

TOP ALLEGHANY
We have been having some frosts recently but have not heard of much damage being done in this section.
Cutting buckwheat is the order of the day.
Charles S. Wooddell has moved into his new house.
Born to Howard Phillips and wife, Sunday, September 10, a daughter.
Some of our people attended the Monterey Fair last week.
W. H. Barkley has bought a farm from F. S. Wise, near Cloverlick.
John H. Beverage has bought W. H. Barkley's farm.
Sam and Charles Spencer and Lee and Ezra Wooddell attended Teachers Institute at Elkins week before last, which they report among the best institutes they have ever attended.
Glen Spencer has gone to East Virginia to visit relatives.
Clarence, son of W. H. Barkley cut and bruised his face pretty badly by falling down stairs in his sleep. People used to say you would not hurt yourself falling in your sleep, but you can't get Clarence to believe anything like that.
J. H. Kramer was a business caller in Durbin Friday.
James Wilfong has been making some hay on his mountain farm lately.
Miss Stella Beverage was visiting her aunt Mrs. John H. Beverage, Sunday.

Quite a lot of fine cattle have been passing through this section to be shipped from Bartow.
Mrs. J. H. Kramer was visiting relatives in Highland county last Sunday.

ONOTO
Thrashing and cutting corn seems to be the order of the day.
Gay & Mann and Gao, McComb & Son are each doing a rushing business with their thrashing machine in this neighborhood.
John White is here from the New River coal fields to spend a few days with his uncle P. L. Carter.
Albert Vanreenan left this week for Morgantown where he will attend school.
W. G. Cochran is putting up a silo on his home farm.
Rev. H. A. Coffman preached his last sermon at Hamlin Chapel Sunday evening before leaving for conference.
E. C. Smith and Mrs. Margaret Baxter spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Duncan near Buckeye.
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Golden of Marlinton, were here Monday visiting Mr. and Mrs. George C. Moore.
Alex Hefner and son Fred were in this part taking up calves which they had bought. Calves are bringing good prices.
Mrs. Fred Poage if spending a few days with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Newton Landes on Stamping Creek.
Frank Baxter of Edray, has been here spending a few days with his mother.
Henry Moore is at Woodrow putting up the new school house.
O. W. Kellison passed here en route to Woodrow, Saturday.
Jimmy Baxter and wife were at Charlie Baxter's Sunday afternoon
W. H. Gilmore has been on the sick list for a few days.

Thrift and Waste

Economists say that France would grow rich on what America wastes.

German strength is based on efficiency and efficiency is thrift.

Every other person in Japan has an account in a savings bank.

England, the richest of all nations, produces the greatest amount of capital through savings.

On thrift depends the nation's progress as well as your own.

A growing account in a savings bank is insurance of independence.

One Dollar Starts an Account!
First National Bank
Marlinton, W. Va.

A Total Loss

No insurance. A few words tells the story of neglect or indifference to the owners' interest. Don't let it happen to you. It is neither difficult or costly to properly cover your property with insurance. Good, reliable agents will attend to all details when you need insurance. Then your policies will be in the best gilt edged company, and you will have absolute protection against loss by fire.

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F. M. SYDNOR, MANAGER
Marlinton, West Virginia

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If you are all run down you need a tonic

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We keep right up to the minute, too, and have on hand everything a first-class drug store should carry.

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